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IN RE APPLN. OF: HOMERO RAMIREZ TOBIAS ET AL.
APPLICATION NO. 10/728,209
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FOR: CONCRETE-BASED FLOORS AND WALL COVERINGS WITH AN
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1. FORM PTO-1083 (1 PG., IN DUPLICATE)
2. AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (4 PGS.)

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Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

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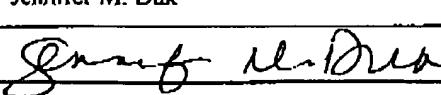
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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